

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-14 have been canceled, without prejudice. Claims 15-28 have been added and are pending.

The present application has been filed to pursue non-elected subject matter from the parent application Serial No. 10/174,485.

The attached PTO-1449 Form lists documents of record in the parent application Serial No. 10/174,485. Return of an initialed copy of the attached PTO-1449 Form is requested, pursuant to MPEP Section 609. Further copies of the cited documents are not believed to be required at this time however the Examiner is requested to advise the undersigned if otherwise.

A copy of the executed Declaration from the parent application Serial No. 10/174,485, is attached.

A Filing Receipt and early and favorable Action on the merits are requested.

The Examiner is requested to acknowledge receipt of a certified copy of the priority document in the parent application Serial No. 10/174,485. See, the attached Notice of Allowability dated February 12, 2004, issued in the parent application Serial No. 10/174,485.

The Examiner is requested to acknowledge the applicants claim for domestic benefit.

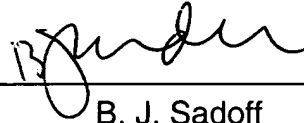
The specification has been amended to include a cross-reference to the parent application.

**In re Application of: RICHARD, H. et al.**  
Serial No. DIV. OF 10/174,485

Respectfully submitted,

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